House Watch

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FINAL PASSAGE

HB 4627 (K. Law)

House Bill 4627 would amend the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act to create a Commission on Pay Equity. The commission would be responsible for developing definitions of comparable wages. The commission would have to report its findings to the legislature, governor, and the public no later than one year after being appointed, after holding meetings and hearings as necessary to develop definitions, models, and guidelines for employers and employees on pay equity. The Pay Equity Commission would be subject to the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. The governor would appoint the commission, which would be composed of the directors of the Department of Civil Rights and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), as well as one representative each of the Michigan Women's Commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the AFL-CIO, the UAW, the Small Business Association, the National Organization of Women (Michigan), and the Michigan Women's Studies Association. The director of the Department of Civil Rights, or a designee, would serve as the chair of the commission.

- Committee substitute H-2 was adopted
- HB 4627 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4627 was passed [RC 21: 57 yes, 50 no]

HB 5384 (Nofs)

House Bill 5384 would revise the Michigan Energy Employment Act of 1976 which, among other things, authorizes municipalities to form joint venture agreements and joint agencies to build or buy into electricity generation, distribution, or transmission facilities.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- Nofs-2 was adopted
- HB 5384 advanced to 3rd Reading

HB 5384 was passed [RC 22: 107 yes, 0 no]
 IE was ordered

HB 4645 (Tobocman)

The bill would require certain information to be disclosed to consumers prior to obtaining a tax refund anticipation loan and would prohibit certain conduct on the part of a person facilitating the loan.

- Committee substitute H-2 was not adopted
- Tobocman substitute-3 was adopted
- HB 4645 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4645 was passed [RC 23: 107, 0 no]
 IE was ordered

HB 5582 (Bieda)

The bills (HB 5582 and HB 5583) would provide an exemption from the aviation fuel tax and the motor fuel tax for aviation fuel bought for the formulation of leaded racing fuel to be used only by racing vehicles for a non-highway purpose. They also would provide an exception from the provision that prohibits the sale of aviation fuel for purposes other than aviation, in order to allow the use of exempt aviation fuel for the purpose of producing leaded racing fuel. House Bill 5582 would amend the Aeronautics Code

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5582 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5582 was passed [RC 24: 105 yes, 1 no] IE was ordered

HB 5583 (Schuitmaker)

The bills would provide an exemption from the aviation fuel tax and the motor fuel tax for aviation fuel bought for the formulation of leaded racing fuel to be used only by racing vehicles for a non-highway purpose. They also would provide an exception from the provision that prohibits the sale of aviation fuel for purposes other than aviation, in order to allow the use of exempt aviation fuel for the purpose of producing leaded racing fuel. House Bill 5583 would amend the Motor Fuel Tax Act.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5583 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5583 was passed [RC 25: 107 yes, 0 no]
 IE was ordered

HB 5189 (McDowell)

The bill would allow disabled American veterans and former prisoners of war to buy hunting and fishing license for \$1, and would waive their state park entry and camping permit fees.

- Committee substitute H-2 was adopted
- HB 5189 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5189 was passed [RC 26: 107 yes, 0 no] IE was ordered

HB 5632 (Calley)

The bill would create the Family Military Leave Act to allow, under certain conditions, 10 days (or 80 hours) of unpaid family military leave for the parents and spouses of individuals called to active military service, if an employer employs 15 or more people.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- HB 5632 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5632 was passed [RC 27: 107 yes, 0 no]
 IE was ordered

HB 5322 (Clack)

House Bill 5322 and Senate Bill 416, which are nearly identical, would amend the Revised School Code (MCL 380.1177a) to require information about HPV and the HPV vaccine be provided to parents and guardians of pupils enrolled in certain grades. At a minimum, the information would have to include the risks associated with HPV; the availability, effectiveness, and potential risks of immunization for HPV, and potential risks of HPV immunization; and sources where parents and guardians may obtain additional information about HPV and vaccination of a child against HPV. House Bill 5322 would specify that if, at the beginning of a school year, the board of a school district or the board of directors of a public school academy provided information on immunizations, infectious disease, medications, or other school health issues to parents and guardians of pupils in least Grades 6, 9, and 12, then information would also have to be included about HPV and the HPV vaccine. Senate Bill 416 would require the information be provided to parents and guardians of pupils in or entering Grade 6 only.

- Committee substitute H-1 was adopted
- Stahl-2 was not adopted
- HB 5322 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 5322 was passed [RC 28: 90 yes, 17 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 415 (Cherry)

Senate Bill 415 (S-1) would amend the Public Health Code to require the Department of Community Health (DCH) to identify materials about human papillomavirus and immunization for it, notify schools of the availability of the materials, and encourage schools to make the information available to parents.

- SB 415 advanced to 3rd Reading
- SB 415 was passed [RC 29: 94 yes, 12 no]
- IE was ordered

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

HR 243 (Meadows)

A resolution to memorialize Congress to enact legislation to change the computation of state Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAPs) by disregarding employer contributions to prefund retiree health care in calculating Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

- Substitute H-1 was adopted
- HR 243 was adopted